COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 1568-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 604

Subject: Environmental Protection; Natural Resources Dept.; Sewers and Sewer Districts

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 17, 2009

Bill Summary: Requires residential and commercial septage removal companies to

register with the Department of Natural Resources

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

- □ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** assume this proposal would require all residential and commercial septage pumpers operating in the state to register with the department. This registration would expire every four years.

There are approximately 468 septic pumping services doing business in Missouri listed with yellow-page advertisements. The department assumes there could be other pumping services not listed for the 114 counties in Missouri.

The department would request two (2) FTE to implement the registration program outlined in this proposal. The department would request one (1) Environmental Specialist I/II/III to: assure that the location of the land application is tied to an existing permit to assure the bill's requirements are adequately enforced, establish and maintain reporting requirement for the septage pumpers; review the sludge reports and compare those reports to the information received; coordinate and provide information to the field service offices for compliance and enforcement of all registered septage pumpers and assist in rule development. The department would request one (1) Senior Office Support Assistant to: process the registration of all residential or commercial septage pumpers; work with technical staff to develop a registration form to include the required information, make the form available electronically, process registration forms within established timeframes consistent with department guidelines and program requirements; and review applications for completeness and verify any administrative requirements, send evidence of registration to pumpers, track expiration dates of registrations and send out renewal notices.

Section 324.763.1(2) indicates that the list of counties the residential or commercial septage pumper operates in or intends to operate in would not restrict them from operating in counties not appearing on the list provided that the operator notifies DNR within 30 days. The department assumes this necessitates frequent modifications to pumpers registration records.

Beginning June 1, 2009, the department would be required to annually provide an updated list of registered septage pumpers to each county health department. The proposal allows this notification to be done electronically.

This proposal requires the department to set the registration fee at an amount sufficient to recover the cost implementing the registration program. Therefore, for purposes of this fiscal note, the department assumes the costs for additional resources needed to implement this proposal would be offset by paid registration fees.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
GENERAL REVENUE	(10 Mo.)		
Revenue - Department of Natural Resources			
Registration fee in section 324.763.1(1)	\$120,834	\$128,721	\$132,583
<u>Cost</u> - Department of Natural Resources Registration fee in section			
324.763.1(1) expense	(\$120,834)	(\$128,721)	<u>(\$132,583)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
GENERAL REVENUE	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

If residential or commercial septage haulers are small businesses they would be required to pay a registration fee under this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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